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| 4 | ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN |) |
| 5 | RAILWAY COMPANY, |) |
| 6 | Petitioner, |) |
| 7 | v . |) No. T10-0138) |
| 8 | THE COUNTY OF COOK, ILLINOIS, AND THE VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN |) |
| 9 | ESTATES, |) |
| 10 | Respondents |) |
| 11 | Petition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway seeking |) |
| 12 | an order of the Illinois Commerce Commission directing |) |
| 13 | that an additional track and grade crossing be constructed |) |
| 14 | , |) |
| 15 | Joliet and Eastern Railway Company in or near the |) |
| 16 | Village of Hoffman Estates and unincorporated Hanover |) |
| 17 | Township, Cook County, Illinois |) |
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- 1 JUDGE DUGGAN: Pursuant to the authority vested
- 2 in me by the State of Illinois and the Illinois
- 3 Commerce Commission, I call Docket T10-0038 for a
- 4 hearing.
- 5 And may I have appearances for the
- 6 record starting with the petitioner.
- 7 MR. BERMAN: Jeremy Berman. Can you hear me?
- 8 JUDGE DUGGAN: Yes.
- 9 MR. BERMAN: Jeremy Berman from Fletcher & Sippel
- 10 on behalf of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway
- 11 Company. Address is 29 North Wacker Drive, Suite
- 12 920, Chicago, Illinois, 60606. Phone number is
- 13 312-252-1500.
- 14 MR. JANURA: Arthur Janura, J-a-n-u-r-a, the law
- 15 firm of Arnstein & Lehr, on behalf of the Village of
- 16 Hoffman Estates, 120 South Riverside Plaza, Chicago,
- 17 Illinois, 60606; 312-876-7100.
- 18 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Let's see. Office of
- 19 Transportation counsel.
- 20 MS. ANDERSON: Thank you, your Honor.
- 21 MS. ANDERSON: My name is Jennifer Anderson. I
- 22 am here representing the staff of the Illinois

- 1 Commerce Commission. My address is 160 North
- 2 La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60601. My phone
- 3 is 312-814-1934.
- 4 JUDGE DUGGAN: All right. Staff -- railroad
- 5 staff.
- 6 MR. POWERS: Daniel Powers, Illinois Commerce
- 7 Commission, 527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield,
- 8 Illinois, 62701, and the phone is 847-516-0733.
- 9 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Do we have anybody
- 10 representing County of Cook?
- 11 MR. JANURA: No, Judge.
- 12 JUDGE DUGGAN: Do you have anybody representing
- 13 Hanover Township?
- 14 MR. JANURA: Not here, Judge.
- 15 JUDGE DUGGAN: Thank you. Do we have anybody
- 16 representing Forest Preserve District?
- 17 MR. JANURA: Not here, judge.
- 18 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Do we have any parties that
- 19 I did not call enter appearances?
- 20 (No verbal response.)
- 21 All right. Mr. Baker, are you
- 22 representing you could update us on the status?

- 1 MR. BAKER: Yes, sir. Subsequent to the period
- 2 of time that we took off from this particular
- 3 project between hearings, our counsel has met with
- 4 the counsel from Hoffman Estates and we have
- 5 agreements either in place or in principle for the
- 6 license agreement, for the construction, for the
- 7 easement, and for the potential four-week road
- 8 closure. We have that in the agreement
- 9 and maintenance going forward at this time, at least
- 10 on the west side from the tracks to the west side of
- 11 the right-of-way. And if we have any difficulty
- 12 with the forest preserve on the east side, I think
- 13 the village is prepared to take care of that
- 14 maintenance also. That's all I have, your Honor.
- 15 JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Janura, is that your
- 16 understanding?
- 17 MR. JANURA: Yes, sir, it is.
- 18 JUDGE DUGGAN: I have got housekeeping -- a few
- 19 housekeeping matters I noted just after going
- 20 through the record before. Staff had requested
- 21 flashing lights, I believe.
- 22 MR. POWER: Yes, your Honor.

- 1 JUDGE DUGGAN: And was that at the sidewalk?
- 2 MR. POWERS: That was for the roadway. That's
- 3 been resolved also.
- 4 JUDGE DUGGAN: As in an agreement for them?
- 5 MR. POWERS: Yes.
- 6 JUDGE DUGGAN: And who's going to pay to
- 7 maintain?
- 8 MR. POWERS: The CN will pay for the
- 9 installation, and maintenance will be the road
- 10 authority.
- 11 JUDGE DUGGAN: And is that -- what side is that
- 12 on?
- 13 MR. POWERS: Both sides.
- 14 JUDGE DUGGAN: So the road authority is whom?
- 15 MR. POWERS: Cook County highway.
- 16 JUDGE DUGGAN: Oh. And they have actually agreed
- 17 to that?
- 18 MR. POWERS: I don't have an agreement for that
- 19 portion of it yet. No, your Honor.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: Are you anticipating that you
- 21 might?
- 22 MR. POWERS: Yes.

- 1 JUDGE DUGGAN: Can you clarify for me the
- 2 flashing lights. Are there not -- are they
- 3 different than your normal warning signals for the
- 4 crossing?
- 5 MR. POWERS: Yes. They're active 24/7 and just a
- 6 supplementary measure to the signs that they'll be
- 7 monitoring flashing yellow.
- 8 JUDGE DUGGAN: And that's -- that's because of
- 9 the additional track? It has nothing to do with the
- 10 pedestrian walk?
- 11 MR. POWERS: Right. Additional track, additional
- 12 train volumes.
- 13 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. So the standard would be
- 14 that the road authority would maintain those. Is
- 15 this on the railroad right-of-way?
- 16 MR. POWERS: I think it's in the -- it's in the
- 17 highway right-of-way, but it might be within -- it'S
- 18 in the highway easement I guess across the
- 19 railroad's right-of-way.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: I guess -- is it within the
- 21 authority of the railroad to enter that premises and
- 22 maintain those?

- 1 MR. HEALY: Your Honor, this is Tom Healy, the
- 2 in-house attorney with the EJ&E. It's not generally
- 3 our practice to have agreements with road
- 4 authorities for every sign that they would post
- 5 within the road right-of-way that happens to be also
- 6 on the railroad right-of-way. So we would assume
- 7 that if the sign winds up within the railroad
- 8 right-of-way, so long as it's within the highway
- 9 right-of-way, they won't need an additional
- 10 agreement. Part of the easement for the
- 11 right-of-way for the road allows for the maintenance
- 12 of those signs.
- 13 JUDGE DUGGAN: So you don't have a designated
- 14 spot for this flashing light yet?
- 15 MR. HEALY: I guess we defer to the staff as to
- 16 the location.
- 17 MR. POWERS: It's based on field conditions
- 18 usually, whatever the METC minimum is or the
- 19 railroad minimum is away from the rail, 15 feet
- 20 usually, so it doesn't obstruct the railroad warning
- 21 devices. The signs are placed so they don't
- 22 obstruct the flashers on the railroad warning

- 1 devices.
- 2 JUDGE DUGGAN: I was talking about flashing
- 3 lights.
- 4 MR. HEALY: No, they won't. These are flashing
- 5 yellow lights that would be on signs that say do not
- 6 stop on tracks.
- 7 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay.
- 8 MR. HEALY: In addition, the crossing will have
- 9 the flashing alternating red lights with gates, and
- 10 there will also be a set of gates, and I can't
- 11 remember if lights or not were included on that.
- Ray, do you remember?
- MR. BAKER: You wind up getting on the gate
- 14 arm -- you wind up getting flashing lights. And if
- 15 we need a separate pedestal for the active, it would
- 16 wind up having a flasher on it.
- 17 MR. HEALY: The pedestrian way, the pathway,
- 18 sidewalk, whatever we are going to call it, will
- 19 also have active warning devices on it to be funded
- 20 by the railroad.
- 21 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. So I think what I'm hearing
- 22 is that we can order Cook County to do that if

- 1 it's -- even though they didn't show up, they remain
- 2 a party. Is that what I'm hearing from you? Do you
- 3 think we can do that?
- 4 MR. POWERS: Yes.
- 5 JUDGE DUGGAN: And Cook County has authority on
- 6 both sides?
- 7 MR. POWERS: Yes.
- 8 MR. HEALY: Yes.
- 9 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. So let me clarify this
- 10 again. You are saying the pedestrian path, however,
- 11 would be in the forest preserve's jurisdiction.
- MR. HEALY: No, your Honor. If I might, the
- 13 agreement we have in place is going to allow the
- 14 installation of this path on the 100-foot-wide
- 15 railroad right-of-way.
- 16 The discussions with the forest
- 17 preserve, which owns land northeast of the crossing,
- 18 had been relative to what was going to be worked out
- 19 to connect onto that path. But for purposes of this
- 20 hearing, your Honor, the jurisdiction for this
- 21 hearing will require the placement of a path within
- 22 the 100-foot railroad right-of-way.

- 1 JUDGE DUGGAN: All right. So I guess you guys
- 2 have got it worked out. I guess I'm fine with it.
- 3 I always was unsure if that location would simply
- 4 pour out on the shoulder of the road and there
- 5 wouldn't be a connection to the forest preserve
- 6 path, which is not necessarily bad. Cars (sic)
- 7 drive on shoulders all the time. I wasn't clear
- 8 about that.
- 9 MR. JANURA: Judge, Mike Hankey is here, who is
- 10 an engineer from the village, who actually knows
- 11 where that path connects on the east and west if you
- 12 would like to hear from him.
- 13 JUDGE DUGGAN: Well, he can tell me this. If you
- 14 build the pedestrian path through the railroad
- 15 right-of-way, then is there -- does that attach to
- 16 the path or not?
- 17 MR. HANKEY: There would be an additional path to
- 18 the east that would go into the forest preserve and
- 19 an additional section of paved path to the west that
- 20 would link into an existing path.
- 21 JUDGE DUGGAN: So --
- MR. HANKEY: So there would be connections on

- 1 each side.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Because I remember there's a
- 3 barrier between the forest preserve -- the end of
- 4 the path forest preserve and the road. There was a,
- 5 you know, a corrugated barrier and I could never
- 6 figure out where you put this path.
- 7 MR. JANURA: The path would go north of that.
- 8 JUDGE DUGGAN: So there's room between the road
- 9 and the corrugated barrier?
- 10 MR. JANURA: No. I believe the path is going to
- 11 go to the north of the corrugated right-of-way.
- MR. HANKEY: Right behind the barrier.
- 13 JUDGE DUGGAN: I got you.
- 14 MR. JANURA: So the barrier will be between the
- 15 path and the road.
- 16 JUDGE DUGGAN: I got you. Okay. And who's going
- 17 to construct that or pay for that?
- 18 MR. JANURA: Within the right-of-way, it will be
- 19 the railroad, and where the right-of-way ends to the
- 20 east the forest preserve district will put in
- 21 whatever connection that might have to be there, and
- 22 to the west the Village of Hoffman Estates will make

- 1 sure it connects.
- 2 JUDGE DUGGAN: So, again, to the east you say we
- 3 are going to put that in, meaning the Village of
- 4 Hoffman Estates?
- 5 MR. JANURA: No. To the east of -- the forest
- 6 preserve district should be doing that, because
- 7 that's on forest preserve district property.
- 8 JUDGE DUGGAN: Between the railroad
- 9 right-of-way --
- 10 MR. JANURA: The east portion of the railroad
- 11 right-of-way north of Shoe Factory Road. That
- 12 corner up there, the north/east area corner, is
- 13 forest preserve.
- 14 And if you remember, they had kind of
- 15 like that unpaved path that went up to that corner
- 16 and the forest preserve will just put down some
- 17 stone and whatever else it is they need. Ultimately
- 18 that's all going to be paved as part of a grant
- 19 coming out, but, in the interim, they'll just put in
- 20 some other path material.
- 21 MR. HANKEY: Yes, we would -- it's really kind of
- 22 a division-of-cost question. Perhaps the

- 1 construction of an asphalt path would go starting on
- 2 the west where the current existing path ends. It
- 3 would extend up to the railroad right-of-way. The
- 4 village would be responsible for that cost.
- 5 The space within the railroad
- 6 right-of-way would be the responsibility of CN, and
- 7 then to the east of that there's a short section of
- 8 path -- asphalt path to be paved that would be
- 9 forest preserve, so that the goal is to build all of
- 10 that but to divvy the cost or distribute the cost
- 11 among the three agencies.
- 12 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. I'm asking only about one
- 13 stretch, and that is between the east limit of the
- 14 railroad right-of-way and the path that you intended
- 15 would be north of the barrier up to the point where
- 16 the preserve path ends. Now who has jurisdiction of
- 17 that property?
- MR. HANKEY: That's the forest preserve.
- 19 JUDGE DUGGAN: So the forest preserve is all the
- 20 way up to the east end of the railroad right-of-way?
- 21 MR. HANKEY: Yes, sir.
- 22 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. All right. And you talked

- 1 to them and they agreed they're going to do
- 2 something?
- MR. HANKEY: We don't have that finalized yet,
- 4 but they seem to be in agreement, yes. Okay. But
- 5 then still there is a question of who's going to
- 6 maintain it somehow.
- 7 MR. JANURA: The village in the agreement is
- 8 willing to maintain the path through the --
- 9 JUDGE DUGGAN: Excuse me. Let me be very
- 10 specific. I'm talking about the section that I just
- 11 discussed.
- MR. HEALY: Off the railroad right-of-way to the
- 13 east?
- 14 JUDGE DUGGAN: Between that and the forest
- 15 preserve path, which ends -- which Mr. Hankey says
- 16 is forest preserve jurisdiction, who's going to
- 17 maintain that?
- 18 MR. JANURA: That would be forest preserve.
- 19 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Then what did I
- 20 misunderstand about Mr. Baker's presentation when I
- 21 thought he said the Village of Hoffman Estates would
- 22 maintain the west end and they weren't sure about

- 1 the east? Did I misunderstand you, Mr. Baker?
- 2 MR. BAKER: No. Hoffman Estates is going to
- 3 maintain the pathway outside of the railroad
- 4 right-of-way to the west and Hoffman Estates has
- 5 indicated that they would assist, if necessary, the
- 6 Cook County Forest Preserve for the section outside
- 7 of the railroad right-of-way to the west. And
- 8 Mr. Hankey said --
- 9 MR. HANKEY: To the east.
- 10 MR. BAKER: -- to the east.
- 11 And Mr. Hankey said that he believes
- 12 the Cook County Forest Preserve has a grant coming
- 13 that would cause the improvement of that at some
- 14 future date.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Well, I guess maybe that's not
- 16 even for me to address. I'm only addressing the
- 17 right-of-way anyway.
- 18 MR. HEALY: Your Honor, this is Tom Healy. I
- 19 appreciate your recognition of that, because I was
- 20 trying to find a way to politely suggest that, yes.
- 21 JUDGE DUGGAN: But, on the other hand, I mean, I
- 22 didn't, you know --

- 1 MR. HEALY: It's not inappropriate certainly to
- 2 inquire into it to make sure you understand fully
- 3 the project and the responsibilities. In terms of
- 4 the order that will be entered, I think the order
- 5 probably limits itself to what will happen within
- 6 the railroad right-of-way.
- 7 JUDGE DUGGAN: I mean, I do think that it's
- 8 certainly an issue as to if you are feeding bicycle
- 9 traffic or pedestrians onto a highway. That's what
- 10 my main concern. You told me the path's going to
- 11 run to the north.
- 12 MR. JANURA: Under the design, that will not
- 13 happen. That's what's happening right now, but that
- 14 will not happen with this improvement.
- 15 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. So is there anything
- 16 undecided since we don't have to address -- since my
- 17 order doesn't have to address the maintenance of the
- 18 east portion of that path?
- 19 MR. JANURA: The only thing is that -- and we are
- 20 working it out -- the village will be maintaining
- 21 the surface of the path, the maintenance of the
- 22 gates. Even the pedestrian gates I think is the

- 1 railroad.
- 2 MR. HEALY: Yes. We have accepted that.
- 3 JUDGE DUGGAN: And, again, Cook County will send
- 4 an order telling them they're in charge for
- 5 maintenance of the flashing light? Help me a little
- 6 bit. I'm confused.
- 7 MR. JANURA: That's highway. Cook County is two
- 8 things, Judge. Don't forget the Forest Preserve
- 9 District is different than Cook County.
- 10 MR. HEALY: Highway Department, right.
- 11 JUDGE DUGGAN: I'm talking about the flashing
- 12 lights.
- 13 MR. JANURA: The flashing lights I believe is the
- 14 Cook County Highway Department.
- 15 MR. BAKER: The flashing lights -- Judge, this is
- 16 Ray Baker. The flashing lights that protect the
- 17 train movements are maintained at the cost of the
- 18 railway company.
- 19 The flashing lights that are going to
- 20 be installed on behalf of the pedway, I think
- 21 Mr. Healy indicated that cost will be paid for by
- 22 the railway company.

- 1 The advanced warning signs with the "do
- 2 not stop on tracks" strobe light will be installed
- 3 by the railroad, and that will become the
- 4 maintenance of the Cook County Highway Department.
- 5 The railway maintains the surfacing
- 6 through the railroad crossing, and the Village of
- 7 Hoffman Estates will maintain the path within the
- 8 railroad right-of-way.
- 9 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. That's helpful when you
- 10 divide the flashing lights into the three different
- 11 categories, because, otherwise, we are not so clear
- 12 about that.
- 13 MR. BAKER: I agree.
- 14 JUDGE DUGGAN: What's that?
- 15 MR. BAKER: I agree.
- 16 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. So back to whether there's
- 17 anything that needs to be in the order, that's not
- 18 decided?
- 19 MR. POWERS: Not that I'm aware of.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Well then, are you looking
- 21 forward then to drafting an order -- an agreed order
- 22 or what?

- 1 MR. POWERS: Yes.
- 2 MR. BAKER: Yes.
- 3 JUDGE DUGGAN: Now here's been my concern with
- 4 agreed orders. And frankly, Jeremy, I have been
- 5 working on that 113 case, and part of the problem I
- 6 have is that I get letters submitted from highway
- 7 authorities stating that they agree to the proposed
- 8 order, but I have no documented record of what order
- 9 they read, so I would appreciate getting those
- 10 letters.
- 11 Here's what I would prefer. So that I
- 12 have a documented record of what actually does
- 13 constitute a stipulation, because either I have got
- 14 to have everything, every bit in evidence in the
- 15 record here through testimony, or I can do these
- 16 things by stipulation.
- 17 Those stipulations have to include all
- 18 the parties, which becomes a party, because Cook
- 19 County is not here to stipulate. So I have to do a
- 20 proposed order in any event, but at least if I
- 21 know -- let me think here.
- Dan, we have Hanover Township and the

- 1 forest preserve that are parties.
- 2 MR. HEALY: Your Honor, I don't think you'll be
- 3 affecting their interests with the order.
- 4 JUDGE DUGGAN: Well, that's true. Then I have to
- 5 dismiss them.
- 6 MR. HEALY: They were named when there were open
- 7 issues about the path so that they would be a party
- 8 with a chance to participate, but since we've worked
- 9 out with the village all of the issues relative to
- 10 the construction and maintenance of the path --
- 11 JUDGE DUGGAN: All right. Well, why don't
- 12 somebody move to dismiss those two then. I think
- 13 Mr. Berman --
- 14 MR. BERMAN: Yes. The petitioner would move to
- 15 dismiss Hanover Township and the Cook County Forest
- 16 Preserve as parties. We move to add them as parties
- 17 when there were open issues that may have affected
- 18 their interests, and those issues have been
- 19 resolved.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Any objection,
- 21 Ms. Anderson?
- MS. ANDERSON: No, your Honor.

- 1 JUDGE DUGGAN: Any objection, Mr. Janura?
- 2 MR. JANURA: No, your Honor.
- 3 JUDGE DUGGAN: Any objection, Mr. Powers?
- 4 MR. POWERS: No, your Honor.
- 5 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Then based upon the
- 6 representations made, the fact there are no
- 7 objections, motion to dismiss Hanover Township and
- 8 the Forest Preserve District is granted.
- 9 We have still got the issue of Cook
- 10 County. And, frankly, I mean, the other solution is
- 11 to get the agreed order, have a hearing, come in and
- 12 get it on the record, since Cook County's probably
- 13 not going to stipulate, to basically submit the
- 14 facts in the record by stipulation at a hearing.
- Does anybody have a real problem with
- 16 that?
- MR. HEALY: Can we go off the record for a
- 18 minute, Judge.
- 19 JUDGE DUGGAN: Yes. Let's go off.
- 20 (Off the record.)
- 21 Back on the record here.
- Okay. As I say, I have a couple

- 1 housekeeping matters. But I was asking -- it
- 2 appears to me the parties believe they can work out
- 3 an agreed order for all the matters involved that
- 4 have to do with Commission jurisdiction and that
- 5 that's what they hope to do and that they will then
- 6 submit that along with a file on e-docket followed
- 7 by concurrences of all of the parties and Commission
- 8 staff stating their concurrence to the facts and
- 9 findings as stated in the agreed order as
- 10 identified.
- Is that a fair representation there,
- 12 Mr. Berman?
- 13 MR. BERMAN: I believe it is, your Honor.
- 14 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Mr. Janura?
- 15 MR. JANURA: Yes, sir.
- 16 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Ms. Anderson?
- MS. ANDERSON: Yes, your Honor.
- 18 JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Powers?
- 19 MR. POWERS: Yes, your Honor.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. That being the case, then I
- 21 have this to do. I don't think I actually
- 22 admitted -- I didn't actually say certain exhibits

- 1 admitted, so -- but they were certainly identified
- 2 and moved and no objection to 200, 201, 202. So
- 3 200, 201 and 202 are certainly admitted if they
- 4 weren't before.
- 5 (Whereupon, Village
- 6 Exhibit Nos. 200 thru 202
- 7 were received in
- 8 evidence.)
- 9 I have a note here that I need to
- 10 determine who's the proper road authority to pay for
- 11 advanced markings. So are there advanced markings
- 12 indicated here?
- MR. POWERS: Not on any of the plan sheets, but
- 14 there probably will be a joint filing of a
- 15 petitioner and staff exhibit showing the markings
- 16 that would be attached to the proposed agreed order.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. So, yes, it would have to
- 18 be there. So, in fact, once again, everybody's
- 19 agreeing to the same thing, including that.
- 20 MR. POWERS: Right.
- 21 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. And then you'll determine
- 22 who the proper authority -- road authority is to --

- 1 again, would that be Cook County?
- 2 MR. POWERS: Yes.
- 3 JUDGE DUGGAN: So Cook County can pay for the
- 4 flashing advanced signals and the advanced markings.
- 5 MR. BAKER: They are not going to pay for it,
- 6 Judge. They'll be required to do the future
- 7 maintenance to those items.
- 8 JUDGE DUGGAN: Right. Thank you. And, once
- 9 again -- now there was a reference made to CN and
- 10 that's another thing I have got to get clear here
- 11 on the record.
- The petition's in the name Elgin,
- 13 Joliet and Eastern Railway Company.
- 14 MR. HEALY: That's correct.
- 15 JUDGE DUGGAN: Go ahead.
- 16 MR. HEALY: Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway
- 17 Company is the owner of the rail line. It is
- 18 responsible for the operation of trains. It is
- 19 owned by Canadian National Railway Company.
- 20 Canadian National Railway Company is not the owner
- 21 of the property. We operate all of the railroads.
- 22 The parent company, Canadian National Railway

- 1 Company, and all of the subs collectively under the
- 2 trade name of CN. So on occasion people will refer
- 3 to us, including myself, will refer to us as CN, but
- 4 that's just a trade name designating the parent and
- 5 all of the subsidiary railroads. So the proper
- 6 party in this docket is Elgin, Joliet and Eastern
- 7 Railway Company.
- 8 JUDGE DUGGAN: For the most part, any references
- 9 to CN in the transcript were properly meant to be
- 10 EJ&E for purposes of this hearing; is that right?
- 11 MR. HEALY: I strongly suspect that that's the
- 12 case, yes.
- 13 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Close. So, I mean, I guess
- 14 take care of that when you do draft the order that
- 15 EJ&E is the proper party.
- Now this was the docket also where
- 17 there was some discussion about the proper hash
- 18 marks at crossings. Is that right, Mr. Baker?
- 19 MR. BAKER: Yes, sir.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Did you get that worked
- 21 out, Mr. Powers?
- 22 MR. POWERS: Yes, your Honor.

- 1 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. So --
- 2 MR. BERMAN: I believe the exhibit Mr. Powers
- 3 referenced earlier also shows the cross hashing that
- 4 staff will request.
- 5 JUDGE DUGGAN: You mean what you are going to
- 6 submit as an agreed exhibit?
- 7 MR. POWERS: Yes, your Honor.
- 8 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. I have two other questions
- 9 that could be done off the record. Let me go ahead
- 10 and do this. There was a -- do you have a list of
- 11 your exhibits, Mr. Berman?
- MR. BERMAN: I'm not sure if I have a compiled
- 13 list.
- 14 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay.
- MR. BERMAN: I do have the exhibits. I hope you
- 16 have a question about one.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Well, actually it's this one.
- 18 It's actually the Village Exhibit 100, the traffic
- 19 study. I don't see that. I found the original. I
- 20 don't know where it went. Do you remember did you
- 21 e-file that?
- MR. JANURA: What we e-filed I'm sure -- well, I

- 1 think we e-filed everything, Judge. Mike Hankey
- 2 conducted that study. He's checking his file right
- 3 now to see if we have the original.
- 4 JUDGE DUGGAN: If he's got the original there,
- 5 what we can do is mark that and so that the worse
- 6 happens we have two of them -- two originals.
- 7 MR. JANURA: When I get back to the office, I
- 8 will have my secretary who e-filed the other
- 9 documents go through and even do it a second time
- 10 just to make sure. Wait. We have it here.
- 11 JUDGE DUGGAN: Yes. Let's go ahead and have the
- 12 court reporter mark that as the Village 100. Yes.
- MR. HANKEY: This was actually submitted by
- 14 Mr. Veracruysse on our behalf when we were having
- 15 difficulty getting the e-docket filing to work.
- 16 JUDGE DUGGAN: Oh, that's okay. As far as the
- 17 proponent of the exhibit is the village.
- 18 MR. JANURA: Right now we are filing the original
- 19 here.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: Well, I'm just going to ask her to
- 21 send me the hard copy down. As you said, you
- 22 already got it. It doesn't need to be filed -- I

- 1 mean, filed ahead of time. That should stay open.
- 2 Just tell me when the court reporter is done marking
- 3 it Village 100.
- 4 (Whereupon, Village
- 5 Exhibit No. 100 was
- 6 marked for
- 7 identification.)
- 8 All right. That's already been offered
- 9 into evidence and entered over Mr. Berman's
- 10 objection. And so, just for the record, this
- 11 document that's just been marked will be admitted as
- 12 Village Exhibit 100 since I am not sure if we ever
- 13 kept the original in the record the last time.
- 14 (Whereupon, Village
- 15 Exhibit 100 was
- 16 received in evidence.)
- 17 Okay. I believe that's all I have.
- 18 Does anybody else have anything else? Go ahead.
- 19 MR. JANURA: Not for me, your Honor.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: Thank you. How much time do you
- 21 think you need?
- 22 MR. HEALY: We will still have to read his draft

- 1 order and come in and sign off on it.
- 2 MR. JANURA: You e-mail to us and just stop by
- 3 your office or something?
- 4 MR. HEALY: No, e-mail comments if it's okay.
- 5 Good. What the judge is indicating -- we are still
- 6 on the record. What the judge has indicated is
- 7 Jeremy will e-file it after Dan's looked at it and
- 8 sign off, and you've looked at it and probably sent
- 9 it to the County. He will e-file it and then each
- 10 party will in turn file something into the docket
- 11 saying I read the draft stipulated order submitted
- 12 by Berman this date on behalf of the village.
- MR. JANURA: We just reference by way of draft
- 14 dated such and such.
- MR. HEALY: Yes, submitted by Mr. Berman or filed
- 16 on X-date, then we are okay with it, but he won't
- 17 put that in for filing until we get signed off from
- 18 Dan and you and we will see what we can get from the
- 19 county.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: Yes. If you could get that from
- 21 the County, then I think I can avoid the next
- 22 hearing. If we don't get a stipulation from them,

- 1 then I think I've got to put it in evidence by
- 2 hearing. So, again, that's what I'm asking is how
- 3 far out to set this hearing.
- 4 MR. BAKER: Two weeks?
- 5 MR. BERMAN: Does that give us enough time?
- 6 MR. BAKER: What do you need, Dan? A month?
- 7 MR. POWERS: That's just being realistic.
- 8 MR. BAKER: I'm just asking.
- 9 MR. POWERS: I'm thinking of the County.
- 10 MR. BAKER: The County will be simple. They'll
- 11 either agree --
- MR. HEALY: We are going to need you to work the
- 13 County angle, Rick, because you have got nothing
- 14 else to do.
- 15 MR. BAKER: Yes. Then we'll go a month.
- 16 MR. HEALY: Four weeks, your Honor.
- 17 JUDGE DUGGAN: All right. That's around May 10.
- 18 Well, like I say, I have got to check my calendar
- 19 and all that stuff, but I'm pretty sure May the
- 20 18th that I could fit it in. If anybody know they
- 21 have a bad day during that time or on vacation
- 22 during that time, let me know.

- 1 MR. JANURA: Judge, do you think the village
- 2 would have to be here if we signed off on our
- 3 agreement or do you want us here or how does that
- 4 work?
- 5 JUDGE DUGGAN: It would be easier if you would.
- 6 MR. JANURA: Okay.
- 7 JUDGE DUGGAN: Like I said, I have got to put it
- 8 in evidence in the hearing according to the statute
- 9 and it's kind of hard to have a hearing if nobody's
- 10 here.
- 11 MR. JANURA: No. No. No. That's fine. I just
- 12 wanted to find out.
- 13 JUDGE DUGGAN: Yes. That would be good. It's
- 14 possible Mr. Baker wouldn't have to show up so long
- 15 as the attorneys could stipulate --
- 16 MR. BAKER: Thank you.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: -- on behalf of EJ&E that this is
- 18 what the evidence will be as presented and all
- 19 parties called to testify. So all right. Good
- 20 deal. Then we'll be continued to a date in which we

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